

## **Gonzalez Statement on President Obama's Budget Request**

Washington, DC – Congressman Charles A. Gonzalez (TX-20) issued the following statement on President Obama's budget request for fiscal year 2011:

"When President Obama took office, he wasted no time on rebuilding the economy and his Administration is continuing its commitment to putting Americans to work. The budget the President sent Congress today jumpstarts our economy while addressing the unfair tax system that places a greater burden on middle class families.

"More importantly, this budget makes significant investments in Texas' families, education, and infrastructure. In Texas alone, the budget calls for tax cuts for 8.4 million families, \$5 billion for schools, students and teachers, \$4.2 billion to fix and expand our network of roads and highways and other infrastructure projects, and \$1.5 billion for housing assistance.

"As we make these critical investments, we must also find common-sense solutions to reduce our deficit. These are hard times and we must use every tax dollar wisely by ending programs that don't work, streamlining those that do and correcting preferential tax treatment of some which has come at the expense of middle class families. The budget we adopt will have long lasting effects and we must get our fiscal house in order so that we don't pass on anymore economic burden onto our children and grandchildren."

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